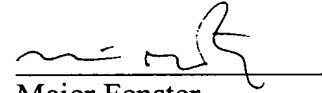


Attached is an annotated copy of Form PTO-1449 (page 1 of 3) filed on September 17, 2001, which replaces the original page and corrects item 11 (U.S. Patent No. 5,235,447 should read as 5,234,447.)

A copy of the IPER is being filed concurrently.

An action on the merits is respectfully awaited.

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**Marked-Up Version of Amendments**

1. (Amended) A device for sealing a hole in a blood vessel, comprising:

a ring;

a plurality of spikes extending from said ring, towards a center of said ring and to a first direction along an axis of said ring, said spikes being adapted for engaging a blood vessel;

a plurality of tabs extending substantially radially from said ring,

wherein rotating said tabs around said ring distorts said ring such that said spikes are rotated in a same direction as said tabs and push together blood vessel lips of a hole in a blood vessel mounted on said spikes, to close a hole in said blood vessel.